

I have been a dedicated XM subscriber for fourteen months as of this writing. Words aren't fit to describe the wonderful service that XM provides it's hundreds of thousands of listeners. Being from Texas I know all too well what it's like to find yourself on a highway in the middle of nowhere, unable to receive any FM or AM signal for hours at a time. XM has solved that illogical problem by providing digital reception that actually GETS BETTER the further you retreat from the 80-story obstacles that dot major metropolitan areas. With the addition of local content earlier this year, XM radio listened to it's subscribers and fills a much needed gap in the "radio world". We are able to hear, almost immediately, if the traffic you are stuck in is due to an accident or merely a bottleneck as well as estimated travel times. The weather seems like a logical addition seeing as how it often affects the traffic situation. I live and work in Houston and I use the traffic channel daily. Having XM traffic and weather doesn't make Houston traffic move any more quickly but I won't leave home without my XM radio. I suggest your commission take a serious look at who has been resting on their laurels while XM radio leaves them in the dust. Please don't take away my local traffic and weather channels!